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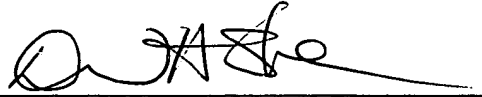
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**RESPONSE TO JANUARY 10, 2005 OFFICE ACTION**

This is in response to the Office Action dated January 10, 2005. The original period of response to the Office Action is a statutory period of three (3) months from the mailing date of the Office Action. Therefore, this response is timely filed if filed on or before April 10, 2005, in accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.10. However, Applicants are filing their response within two (2) months of the mailing date of the Office Action in order to obtain an advisory opinion from the Examiner. If there are any additional fees due in connection with the filing of this response, please charge these additional fees, or credit any overpayment, to our Deposit Account No. 13-0019. If a fee is required for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. §1.136 not accounted for above, such extension is requested and such fee should also be charged to our Deposit Account.

Applicant respectfully requests amendment of the patent application and reconsideration and allowance of the pending claims.

**Amendment to the Claims** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 9 of this paper.